

Diamond Drill

Out of the Past

March 13, 1974

Ann Schmid, whose service with the Michigan Department of State Highways spanned four decades was honored at a dinner marking her retirement. Miss Schmid, a native of Crystal Falls, spent the entire 40 year tenure with the Department at its Crystal Falls district office. She joined the Department in 1934 as a stenographer assigned to record keeping and control of Michigan State highway maintenance in the nine county area covered by the local office. Previous to joining the Department she was employed as a bookkeeper and clerk at the Iron County National Bank (305 Superior).

Jim Rossi, a 1956 graduate of Alpha High School where he played basketball under Coach Gerhardt Gollakner, continues his success as coach of the Traverse City St. Francis basketball team. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rossi, Jim attended Michigan State University and for the past five years has taught math at the school. His hallmark sideline theatrics, pleadings and admonishments provide as much entertainment as the basketball game itself.



RETIRES FROM HIGHWAY DEPT.

Ann Schmid, whose service with the Michigan Department of State Highways spanned four decades, was honored at a dinner marking her retirement late last month. Miss Schmid was presented with a citation by Carl Pellonpaa, representing the State Highway Commission, and gifts from her district office colleagues. She is pictured at her desk in the Crystal Falls district office prior to her retirement.



KEY TO SUCCESS?

It has taken more than sideline theatrics for Jim Rossi, who coaches a team at Traverse City rated this spring to be a title contender, to lead his team to victory after victory, but the sideline pleadings and admonishments characterized by the example above, have become one of Rossi's hallmarks. Rossi is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rossi, Crystal Falls, and graduated from Alpha High School, where he played basketball under Gerhard Gollakner.